

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. TAKEI, et al.

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For: NONAQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY  
NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL, MANUFACTURING  
METHOD THEREOF, NONAQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE  
SECONDARY BATTERY NEGATIVE ELECTRODE WITH THE  
NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL AND NONAQUEOUS  
ELECTROLYTE SECONDARY BATTERY

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, concurrently with the filing of the  
above-identified application and prior to calculation of the filing fee, as listed in the  
following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION;

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.